(*i*) Yes (Maruthi only).
(*j*) 4 annas per Cft.
(*k*) 50 per cent more.
(*l*) This was not considered necessary.
(*m*) This question does not arise in view of the answer to part (*l*) above.
(*n*) 1933.

Memorial from the members of the Varnava Community.

254 *MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU (*Nominated*) : Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether they have received a memorial in the name of the Varnava Community praying for a notification being issued to the effect that the section of the people known under different names (Pathiyans, Vannan, Mannan, Chayakkaran, Pandy Vannan, Purathon, Ettaly, Puravan, Velan, Nerian) of the Varnava Samajam should be treated as coming under the same name of Varnavas ;

(*b*) whether they have taken any action with regard to the above-said memorial ; and

(*c*) if the answer to part (*b*) is in the affirmative, the nature and extent ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : (*a*) Yes.
(*b*) No.
(*c*) Does not arise in view of answer to part (*b*).

MR. KAIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU : ഈ മെമ്മോറിയലിന്മേൽ എന്തെങ്കിലും നടപടി നടത്താതിരുന്നതിനു കാരണം എന്താണെന്നു ദയവായി പറയുമോ ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN : Government consider, Sir, that no action is necessary at present.

MR. KAVIYOOR K. K. KOCHUKUNJU : ഇനിയെങ്കിലും ഇതിന്മേൽ അനുകൂലമായ ഉത്തരവു പാസാക്കാൻ ദയവുണ്ടാകുമോ?

MR. C. V. CHANDRASEKHARAN I cannot promise that Sir.

Statement, by caste, of the officers in the Public Works Department.

255. *MR. THARIATHU KUNJITHOMMEN (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*) : Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement, by caste, of the officers in the Public Works Department drawing a pay of above Rs. 25 ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : The time and labour involved in furnishing the information required by the member will be out of all proportion to its utility.

Contract for the transportation of Diesel Oil.

256. *MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : Will the Government be pleased to state:

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(*a*) when the contract for the transportation of Diesel Oil (for the use of State Transport Buses) from Cochin to Quilon was assigned to the present contractor ;

(*b*) whether any tender was invited for the same at that time ; and

(*c*) when his term of contract expires ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : (*a*) No contract was assigned for the transport of diesel oil from Cochin to Quilon.

(*b*) and (*c*) In view of the answer to part (a) these questions do not arise.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : May I know from Government whether any contract was given for the transportation of crude oil ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Yes Sir.

MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR : May I know whether any tender was invited at that time ?

MR. M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR : Yes, Sir.

Die-sets for the manufacture of blanks for coins.

257. * **MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR ;** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Die-sets for the manufacture of blanks for coins are cast here ;

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the negative why it cannot be cast here ;

(*c*) how many can be minted with one die-set (upper and lower die) ; and

(*d*) whether worn out dies are used for minting coins in the Government Mint ?

MR. M GOVINDA PILLAI : (*a*) No.

(*b*) The mint is not at present equipped with the machinery required for casting Die-sets for the manufacture of blanks.

(*c*) About 3 lakhs of coins.

(*d*) No.

Ochira-Thamarakulam Road.

258 * **MR. KANNANTHODATH JANARDANAN NAIR :** Will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the Ochira-Thamarakulam road was completed by the Public two years ago ;

(*b*) whether the people of the locality sent representations to Government regarding this matter ; and

(*c*) whether the people of the locality have any other means of approach into the interior except along this road ?

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